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TRAINING TO PROFESSIONALS FOR PWD
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of professionals engaged in teaching/training of Persons with Disabilities (PWD) in proportion to the population of the disabled persons;

(b) the areas in which training is offered;

(c) whether the number of professionals available for training/rehabilitation of disabled is adequate in proportion to their population; and

(d) if not, the measures being taken to rationalise the ratio?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT.SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) Since education/training of persons with disabilities is being promoted in inclusive environment, the number of professionals engaged is not separately maintained.

(b) The training is offered in Audiology & Speech Therapy, Speech Pathology, Special Education for Teachers, Vocational Counselling, Multi-purpose Rehabilitation Therapy, Rehabilitation Psychology, Orientation & Mobility, Rehabilitation Counselling etc.

(c) & (d) The Institute of Applied Manpower Research has been requested to conduct a study to estimate manpower requirement of various professionals and develop plans to meet the requirement.